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Examiner Johnson:

As we discussed on the phone this morning, attached are the 7 declarations which were submitted with our response of December 31, 1998, in connection with USSN 08/259,321.

Jean Hicks, Secretary to
Patrea L. Pabst

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Dear Naomi,

Thank you for your letter of Jan 14th. I do apologize for not having answered it before but I have had a very bad influenza for more than a week.

As you know we have made several sets of monoclonal antibodies against human protein C, even one that is calcium-dependent and unfortunately called HPC-4 just like your antibody. However, our antibody is of course entirely different from your HPC-4 and recognizes an epitope in the first EGF-like module. Among the monoclonal antibodies we have made there are several against the activation peptide that do not recognize the active enzyme and as far as I recall block activation. However, none of our activation peptide recognizing monoclonal antibodies is calcium dependent. My experience is based on at least four different fusions and we have isolated and characterized at least twenty different stable monoclonal antibodies against protein C.

Based on the considerable experience we have of monoclonal antibodies against human protein C and from what I have read in the literature I am convinced that your antibody, labelled HPC-4 is truly unique and has very unusual properties, particularly with regard to the calcium binding properties.

Björn has read the letter. He agrees and sends his best regards.

With all the best wishes for you and Chuck.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Johan Stenflo'.
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